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Crop Weather

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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING September 8, 2013

NEW MEXICO: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.9. Topsoil moisture was 35% very short, 41% short and 24% adequate. Wind damage was 9% light and 5% moderate; with cotton 46% damaged and sorghum 42% damaged. No hail damage reported this week.

Counties: Colfax: It has been really hot and is burning up the grasses. A lot of what grew with the rain was weeds. Curry: All irrigated crops doing well. Dryland areas need more moisture to continue maturing as no moisture has fallen in the past few weeks. Alfalfa producers have ideal weather conditions for harvest. Rangelands and livestock in good condition. Would benefit from moisture in the next few days to get range in condition for frost in the next few weeks to a month. Corn harvest just around the corner. Some wheat planted but not active yet. Luna/Grant: We still have some greenery left after the recent showers, however, we must not forget, due to the severity of the drought we have suffered the last couple of years, pasture and rangeland have not recovered enough to produce enough adequate feed for the livestock.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
Alfalfa	4rd cut	98	85	100	95
Alfalfa	5th cut	76	33	68	53
Alfalfa	6th cut	8	-	-	4
Chile	Hvst Grn	65	59	65	73
Corn	Silking	100	97	100	100
Corn	Dough	92	62	90	89
Corn	Dent	60	36	46	54
Corn	Silage Hvst	40	35	54	27
Cotton	Squaring	100	95	100	100
Cotton	Set Bolls	90	87	88	87
Cotton	Bolls Opn	22	15	22	22
Wheat	Planted	8	-	27	35
Lettuce	Planted	89	70	71	76
Peanuts	Pegging	100	90	90	93
Sorghum	Headed	85	46	82	84
Sorghum	Trn Color	15	10	11	29

RANGE AND PASTURE CONDITION

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Northwest	51	31	18	-	-
Northeast	22	33	34	9	2
Southwest	30	58	10	2	-
Southeast	58	28	14	-	-
State Current	37	32	20	10	1
State-Last Week	21	38	26	14	1
State-Last Year	55	29	14	2	-
State-5-Yr Avg.	27	23	26	21	3

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION PERCENTAGES

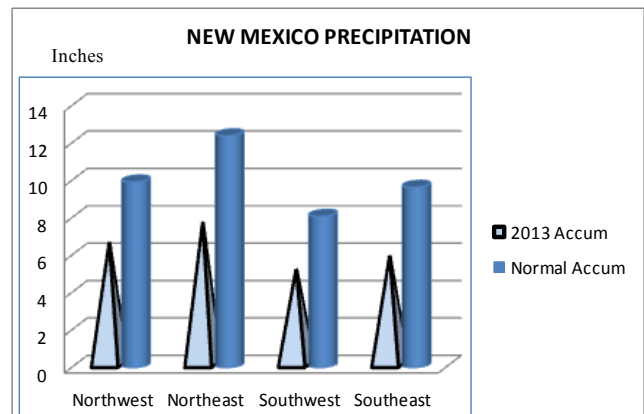
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	2	4	21	62	11
Chile	-	1	38	53	8
Corn	1	2	40	43	14
Cotton	1	10	31	40	18
Peanut	1	8	74	17	-
Pecan	-	1	30	40	29
Sorghum	-	16	49	28	7
Cattle	25	15	36	23	1
Sheep	30	12	38	20	-

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	43	38	19	-
Northeast	14	64	22	-
Southwest	35	45	20	-
Southeast	44	21	35	-
State Current	35	41	24	-
State-Last Week	21	47	32	-
State-Last Year	53	36	10	1
State-5-Yr Avg.	32	34	32	2

Weather Summary

Light precipitation the past week. Some higher amounts: 0.64 inches at Red River and 0.41 inches at Chama. The average temperatures were 11 degrees above normal in Socorro and Los Alamos. Other areas of the state were 1 to 8 degrees above normal.



NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS - Sept 2 - Sept 8, 2013

Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week 1 Sept - 8 Sept	Month 01 Sept - 8 Sept	Accum. 01 Jan - 8 Sept	Normal Sept	Normal Jan-Sep
Northwest								
Albuquerque	78.1	91	64	0.19	0.21	4.10	1.08	7.36
Chama	64.7	84	45	0.41	0.41	13.49	2.35	17.80
Farmington	76.4	91	60	0.00	0.00	3.67	1.04	6.50
Gallup	70.2	89	50	0.05	0.05	6.94	1.20	8.98
Grants	66.4	86	42	0.02	0.02	4.37	1.23	8.07
Johnson Ranch	68.9	87	47	1.80	1.80	7.07	1.32	9.94
Los Alamos	72.5	84	61	0.12	0.12	6.23	2.01	15.39
Red River	58.8	79	39	0.64	0.64	11.21	2.07	17.96
Santa Fe	72.1	89	51	0.03	0.03	5.76	1.54	11.17
Northeast								
Capulin	69.1	88	45	0.08	0.08	13.41	1.96	16.01
Clayton	77.5	94	61	0.00	0.00	7.85	1.77	13.38
Clovis	77.1	92	60	0.12	0.00	5.28	2.18	15.60
Las Vegas	66.4	83	49	0.01	0.01	7.88	2.25	15.41
Moriarty	68.1	88	46	0.00	0.00	5.00	1.48	10.77
Raton	69.9	88	50	0.01	0.48	11.66	1.74	14.98
Roy	71.8	86	57	0.00	1.28	3.36	1.90	13.74
Tucumcari	80.2	97	63	0.00	0.01	8.53	1.68	14.24
Southwest								
Animas	78.3	93	61	0.00	0.00	6.33	1.29	8.75
Deming	78.5	94	64	0.02	0.02	6.26	1.30	8.89
Gran Quivira	70.9	88	54	0.23	0.23	7.86	2.18	13.62
Quemado	66.9	84	45	0.00	0.00	3.72	1.81	9.94
Socorro	79.9	95	62	0.02	0.02	3.87	1.55	8.08
T or C	78.4	92	64	-	-	4.93	1.73	9.11
Southeast								
Alamogordo	78.0	93	60	0.02	0.02	4.61	1.48	8.91
Carlsbad	79.9	96	63	0.01	0.01	6.11	2.11	10.81
Carrizozo	72.9	89	53	0.30	0.30	8.25	1.88	10.12
Las Cruces	81.9	96	68	0.00	0.00	2.33	1.33	7.57
Roswell	76.8	96	58	0.00	0.00	5.13	2.00	12.40
Ruidoso	61.0	79	43	0.00	0.00	6.49	2.61	17.94
Tatum	75.6	93	58	0.00	0.00	9.13	2.36	13.53

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official.